

## A Publication of News and Events

*Apply yourself. Get all the education you can, but then . . . do something. Don't just stand there, make it happen.* **Lee Iacocca**

*How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.* **Anne Frank**



### ANNOUNCING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

Sponsored by *THE INDEX*

Do you have a great photograph of a favorite scene, event, or person (past or present) in Trappe? If so, be sure to enter it in our Annual Photo Contest. Each month, we will share the entries with our readers. At the end of the year a winner will be announced. Entries may be emailed to [trappeindex@verizon.net](mailto:trappeindex@verizon.net) or dropped off at the Town Office.

AUGUST WINNER ~ Submitted by: Robert Crosswell

*Here is a real mystery photo. The picture is dated June 1959. I believe that it is most likely Victor Burn's restaurant, which once occupied the building that now houses the Unicorn Book Shop. I don't know the lady, she may be a Saulsbury. All soda fountains tend to look pretty much the same, but this is about how I remember Vicky's Restaurant in the late 50's. Maybe someone can make a positive identification.*

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## NEWS FROM TOWN HALL



**Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public.** Citizens are encouraged to attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.476.3170.

- ◆ **Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm**
- ◆ **Planning Commission Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm**
- ◆ **Public Hearings, Workshops and Appeals Hearings are scheduled as needed and are often held prior to the above meetings**

**Atlantic Broadband:** Atlantic Broadband requested that the Town contribute approximate \$688 per year to help fund a public education channel hosted by the Chesapeake College Regional Media Center. The cable channel would broadcast town meetings and other community information. Council President Lewis expressed reservations about approving the funding and she noted that Atlantic Broadband recently notified the Town that customer bills will be increasing by 2% to offset the franchise fees. The Town Council did not make a decision on funding the request by Atlantic Broadband and the Town Attorney was asked to review the original contract and to look into the 2% increase charged to customers for franchise fees.

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**Highway Commercial Mixed Use:** President Lewis announced that the draft Highway Commercial Mixed Use ordinance prepared by the Planning Commission and Town Planner was under legal review.

**Grease Traps Ordinance 5-2005:** The Town Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance 5-2005 that amends Article XVI of the Town Code to require the installation and maintenance of grease traps at all properties on which food is prepared for commercial sale. The ordinance is applicable to all owners of property where food is prepared for commercial sale that are also connected to the Town's wastewater collection system. Installation of the grease traps will require a plumbing permit and approval by Trappe's wastewater superintendent. The Town is willing to absorb one half (1/2) of the cost of the portable above floor units for the Trappe United Methodist Church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Scott's United Method Church, and the Trappe Fire Company.

**Water/Sewer Subsidiary Plan:** President Lewis announced that Trappe presented to the County Council a water and sewer subsidiary plan for the whole Town. This plan allows for water and sewer construction and allocation to new developments and also existing residents in town. The County Council refused to even review the Town's plan and they will not review the plan until 2007. Mrs. Lewis noted the County Council could repeatedly deny Trappe's request even after their two year delay.

**Town Streets:** Commissioner English updated the Council on his research into the cost of repairing town streets, primarily Maple Avenue and Hennissee Lane. The cost to mill and repave these streets is approximately \$100,000. The Town Council motioned to ask Mr. English to prepare a request for bids to repair Maple Avenue and Hennissee Lane and to investigate starting a revolving line of credit with Talbot Bank to finance the repairs.

**Trappe Gas & Go Application for Alcoholic Beverage License:** Mrs. Shayma Meresh returned to the August 17<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission meeting after the Commission postponed their review at the July meeting to give the applicant more time to prepare written responses as required by the Trappe Zoning Ordinance and to allow more time for the public to become aware of Mrs. Meresh's Special Use Exception application for the sale of alcoholic beverages from her establishment. After reviewing the applicants written responses to the Special Exception warrants as required by the Trappe Zoning Ordinance, and listening to a few comments from the public, the Planning Commission motioned unanimously to forward a favorable recommendation to the Board of Appeals to grant the Special Exception for the sale of alcoholic beverages at the Trappe Gas & Go.

**Castle Racket (Lyons Farm) Planned Neighborhood (PN) Development Review:** The Planning Commission continued its review of the PN development proposed by developer Mr. Bob Karens for the Lyons Farm located at the north end of town next to the White Marsh Elementary School. Much of the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting was spent listening to responses from the developer's planning consultants, Mr. Barry Griffith and Mr. Bill Stagg, of Lane Engineering to a long list of questions and comments from Town Planner Frank Hall and the Planning Commission that arose from the applicant's presentation at the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. The review of this project will continue at the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting with special attention given to street design and compliance with the numerous design standards required in the Zoning Ordinance.

**Trappe Gas & Go Application for Alcoholic Beverage License:** At their meeting on August 30, the Board of Appeals voted to approve the Special Use Exception requested by Mrs. Shayma Maresh for her business on Route 50. The final step for Mrs. Maresh is to apply for a liquor license from the Talbot County Board of Liquor License Commissioners.

*Thank you to Frank Hall for his gathering of the above information for this month's newsletter.....*

## Information from the Town Clerk:

Please keep your water meter pit free of grass and other growth so all meters can be read in a timely fashion. Please take care when mowing and clipping to not blow leaves and grass into the streets... It is unsightly, clogs the drainage system and is costly to remove.



## FOR SALE: TRAPPE POTTERY

Beautiful, ceramic pottery pieces of all kinds Ovenproof, Microwavable, Dish-washer-safe. Many pieces to choose from, including commemorative designs for Town churches.

**For more information please stop by the Town Office / 410.476.3170**  
(Proceeds benefit the Town of Trappe Christmas Decoration Fund)

## CHURCH NEWS . . .



### Community Worship Service to Mark Sept 11 Anniversary

On September 11, 2005, Immanuel Wesleyan, Scotts UMC, Faith Chapel UMC, and Trappe UMC invite you to worship with us at 10 a.m. at Homerun Baker Park, as we come together as one church. On that day, we will experience the oneness that we share in Christ Jesus as we sing, pray, and hear the Word of God together. The preacher of the day will be Rev. Cindy Burkert. The offering from the service will be shared between the Talbot Association of Clergy and Laity's Good Samaritan Fund, helping our neighbors in need, and hurricane disaster relief efforts. For more information, please contact Rev. Cindy Burkert at 410.476.3384 or [pastorcindy@dmv.com](mailto:pastorcindy@dmv.com), or Rev. David Hackett at 410.476.3980 or [sumc@goeaston.net](mailto:sumc@goeaston.net).

**There will be no morning worship in the participating churches that day.** In the event of weather too severe to worship under a tent, the service will be moved to Scotts UMC (the church with the largest sanctuary.) Afterwards, all are invited to share a box lunch either outdoors, or in the fellowship hall at Trappe UMC, depending upon the weather.

A combined choir will provide the music. Please contact Pastor Cindy Burkert at 410.476.3384 for rehearsal times. You do not need to be a choir singer to participate. We will mark the fourth anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks and remember all those who died that day and in the aftermath. All our neighbors and friends are invited to join us!



#### **ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

St. Paul's Preschool Registration Still Open for 2005-2006

**CLASSES START Sept 13<sup>TH</sup> ~ OPEN HOUSE Sept 7<sup>th</sup>**

St. Paul's Preschool is a state-approved program for three and four year olds. Come join us for a fun-filled learning experience. Conveniently located on Main Street, St. Paul's is open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 8:45 to 11:45 a.m. For more information, contact Lori Hemming at 410.476.4465 or lhemming@closecall.com.

This month St. Paul's welcomes Rev. Ted Gleason and his wife, Ann. Rev. Gleason will begin to serve the church on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Gleasons are moving to Trappe from Cincinnati and will move into the rectory, once the home has been renovated. They are looking forward to becoming a part of the Trappe community. On Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> students and parents of St. Paul's Preschool are invited to a Blessing of the Preschool for the coming year, followed by a luncheon.

#### **SCOTTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

##### **Scotts UMC Raises Funds for Church Van**



On August 20, the Acolyte Advisors of Scotts UMC sponsored a Walk-a-thon to help raise funds for a church van. Participants walked (or biked) in two locations: from Scotts to Oxford (approx. 8 miles) or 8 miles around the Homerun Baker Park walking path. So far, the event raised \$2,600 in pledges and gifts so far, with donations still coming in.

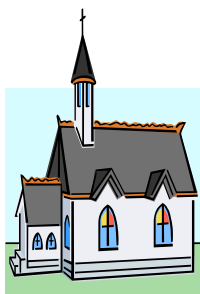


Jimmy Brown of Scotts and Charles Bolden of Waters UMC in St. Michaels were first to cross the finish line at Oxford park. Robert Chase of Scotts came in second, and Donna Brown received the prize for oldest walker. Other participants included Faye Clark, Lester Stanton, "T" Thomas, and Jacqueline Gibbs. Poseanna Watkins and Fiona Hall from Bethel Church walked at Homerun Baker Park and Robert Clay from Wittman biked to Oxford. Lester Harman, Pudy Roach, and Anna Brown served as volunteer drivers, supplying drinks and safety to the walkers, as well as a ride back to the church where breakfast awaited them.

Speaking of breakfast . . . the van fund was started several years ago when Elizabeth Blackwell decided to make weekly breakfasts for the congregation. Mrs. Blackwell raised \$5,000 by selling \$3 breakfasts every Sunday morning for about a year. She has also organized other walk-a-thons in the past to raise fund for the van. "When I make up my mind to do something," she says, "I go for it! This year's walk-a-thon was a happy time. It was so exciting!" The church plans to use the van for transportation to and from church services, the Scotts After School Program, and other church functions. For more information or to make a donation, please contact the church office at 410.476.3980 or Elizabeth Blackwell at 410.476.5351. **NOTE: Scotts' Annual Homecoming** will be held Sunday, September 4th.

The Nace's Day Celebration will be October 8th.

#### **TRAPPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

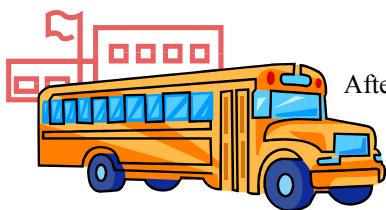


**"Fourth Saturday Youth Group"** will resume this month, on September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Billy Frick, Youth Pastor from St. Paul's UMC in Cambridge will be the guest speaker. All youth from the community, age 12 to 18 are invited to attend.

The Trappe UMC Yard Sale has a new name, **Martha's Closet.** Stop by during the Country Church Breakfast on second and fourth Saturdays, 7-10 a.m., or any Wednesday from 8:30 to noon. Donations also gladly accepted - children's clothes are especially needed. The sale provides good, clean items at rock-bottom prices for bargain hunters or as gifts for those in crisis and material support to Trappe and Faith Chapel so that they may continue to offer ministry in our community.

**Mysterious Goings On!** One Sunday morning an off-hand remark was made concerning the mold spreading above the double doors in the vestibule of Trappe Methodist Church. The next Sunday all the mold was gone and the wall was snowy white again. Who could have done it? Someone brave enough to climb a tall ladder gave us the clue . . . it had to be a sailor who had climbed a mast or two. Mystery solved! Thank you Bo Nelson.





## SCHOOL NEWS

School is open . . . please drive carefully

After School Programs Resume This Month: WMES Homework Club, James Hollis 410.476.3144  
Scotts After School Tutorial Program, Tanya Pritchett 410.476.3980

### Reading Tutors Wanted!

The Reading Intervention for Student Excellence (RISE) program will be starting in late September. If you are interested in being a reading tutor with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students at White Marsh Elementary this year, please contact Susan Redmond at 410.476.3144 or [sredmond@tcps.k12.md.us](mailto:sredmond@tcps.k12.md.us) for more details. This is a fun and rewarding program for anyone who loves to read and would like to pass that



The very active **WMES Grandparents Club** meets once a month during the school year, beginning Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 10:00am at White Marsh Elementary School. All grandparents & grandparent figures of WMES students are welcome to join. Grandparents Day will be held in November during American Education Week. We will also hold our fundraiser for the year—a silent auction—on that day. Please call Julie Libby at 410.476.4822 with questions or donations. Information about the Grandparent's Club is also available at [www.tcps.k12.md.us/wmes/gclub.html](http://www.tcps.k12.md.us/wmes/gclub.html).

Last year the White Marsh Elementary Grandparents Club donated \$600 to the school. Shown left to right are Julie Libby, co-chairperson, Lance Lankford, WMES School Manager, along with club members Jean Marvel, Verna Wood, Colleen Sewell, Jane Reeser, Gail Covey, and Phyllis Petticord.

## FOR SALE

Used **Washing Machine** in Fine Condition. \$75 o.b.o. Call Ann or Richard Dorbin 410.476.3910.



**China Cabinet:** Lighted with etched doors, 3 top shelves, 3 drawers in middle, 2 shelves w/doors on bottom. In excellent condition, \$500. Please call 410.820.1143.

**Two Burial Plots:** Historic section of Hole in the Wall Cemetery. \$1,000 each. Call 1.352.726.6990.

**DROP IN BASKETBALL**  
**INSTRUCTION & PLAYING TIME**  
**WHITE MARSH ELEMENTARY**  
**EVERY FRIDAY EVENING FROM 6:15 PM UNTIL 9:30 PM**  
**6:15-7: 15 ~ younger players**  
**7:15-8:30 ~ middle & high school players**  
**8:30-9:45 ~ young adults**  
**SPECIAL NOTE:** The Young Adult team will continue league play beginning with Chapel District Elementary  
**\$1 PER PERSON PER EVENING**  
**FOR MORE INFO: CALL WMES 410.476.3144**

### From the Postmaster . . .

Business Connect E-Bay Day ~ Wednesday September 14<sup>th</sup> ~ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Trappe Customer Appreciation Day ~ Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 8 a.m. to 12 noon

Military Promotion is still ongoing. Join thousands of Patriotic Americans who Support Our Troops by donating a book of stamps or phone card.

Parking Lot Reminders: Please respect our handicap parking space. Additional parking is available in the rear of the building. Please no skateboarding permitted on postal property!

Box rent is due the end of each month. A reactivation fee of \$11.00 is charged if rent is not if received by the 11<sup>th</sup> of the following month.

New Services: Stamps by Mail at your door

Now Hiring: Temporary Rural Mail Carrier AND Post Office Cleaning Contractor (Deadline: Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>) Come to the Post Office for more information and employment application.

**WANTED:** If you have a picnic table in good condition that you no longer need, the Post Office would like to set up an outdoor gathering spot on the side lawn where customers and employees can take a break and chat or visit. Please call 410.476.3478.

Thank you, Daphne Garner, Postmaster



Bob Willey, owner of Bob's Neat Stuff (bobsstuff.com) is an eBay expert who teaches classes in e-commerce at Chesapeake College and Salisbury University. He will be on hand all day to discuss with how the business person or individual can learn to buy, sell & ship goods on eBay.



## Trappe Girl Scouts Just Wanna Have Fun

Rain or shine,  
Trappe Brownie &  
Girl Scout Troops  
are always on the go  
and having fun.  
Come join us for an-  
other active year.

For more  
information,  
contact  
Barbara Coleman  
at 476.3128 or  
Crimescenechic  
@yahoo.com.

## Town of Trappe Special Trash Pick-Up

Four Special Trash Pickups are Scheduled Per Year

These Pickups are for Town Residents Only



Here are the basic regulations for Special Trash:

1. Household furniture is acceptable.
2. Household appliances, refrigerators, air conditioners and freezers are acceptable, although, freon and doors must be removed from all appliances.
3. Four tires per household. Tires with rims will not be picked up.
4. Tree limbs must be cut to no longer than 3 ft (36") and sticks must be tied in bundles.
5. All leaves must be in tied bags (not over eight per household) limited to not over 60 lbs. All boards or posts etc. shall not be longer than 3 ft (36").
6. All rugs must be rolled up and tied or folded and tied.
7. All cardboard boxes must be broken down.
8. All gas driven motors must have gas removed from tank.
9. Christmas trees will be picked up in January.
10. No more than (1) hot water heater, (1) refrigerator, (1) freezer, and or (1) stove can be picked up per residence.
11. No paint, oil cans or hazard waste will be picked up.
12. No regular household trash will be picked up.
13. The town also recommends that town residents take advantage of the recycle drop offs located behind the Trappe Fire House and Shore Stop. There are also larger recycle bins located in the Walmart Shopping Center in Cambridge.
14. Special trash pickups are on the last Friday of January, April, July and October.
15. Commercial pickups must be okayed by the town office and there maybe an additional charge.





# September 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Emmanuel Wesleyan Sunday School 9:00 am Service 10:30 am Fellowship 5:15 pm Eve Service 6 pm  Scott's UMC Sunday Service 9 am  St Paul's Holy Eucharist 9 am Sunday School 9 am	<b>St. Paul's Pre-School</b> 8:45 - 11:45 am Mon - Fri	<b>Bible Study</b> Hosted By Drake & Elizabeth 129299 Maple Ave 1 pm Every Tuesday All are welcome!!	 <b>Trappe Town Council Meeting At 7:30 pm</b>  St Paul's Preschool Open House 6:30 pm  WMES PTO Mtg 7 pm	<b>1</b> Easton Middle School Play Auditions 4 pm  AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's  WMES Back to School Night 7 pm	<b>2</b>   	

## Local Church/Bible Study/Programs

**Trappe United Methodist Church**  
Wednesday Martha's Closet Yard Sale  
Open 8:30 am - Noon  
Wednesday 6:30 pm Worship/Communion  
Wednesdays 7:30 pm Evening Bible Study  
1st, 2nd, 4th Thursday :  
6 pm Youth Instrument Choir  
7 pm Choir practice

**Scotts United Methodist Church**  
Wednesdays 11 am Young @ Heart  
Wednesdays 2 pm Midday Study  
Wednesdays 7 pm Evening Study  
Thursday 5:30 pm Youth Praise Dept.

**On September 11, 2005, Immanuel Wesleyan, Scotts UMC, Faith Chapel UMC,**



and Trappe UMC invite you to worship with us at 10 a. m. at Homerun Baker Park, as we come together as one church. The preacher of the day will be Rev. Cindy Burkert. (shown here with Rev. David Hackett of Scotts UMC (left) & Rev. Bob Hawkins of Immanuel Wesleyan (right).

See the Church section of this newsletter for more details.

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